

REMARKS

Claims 11-28 are currently pending in the instant application.

The Specification has been amended to delete the original section headings and to insert the preferred section headings pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.77. A new Title of the Invention has been inserted. An Abstract of the Disclosure has been added on a separate sheet following the claims. It is submitted that the amendments to the Specification made herein introduce no new matter. All of the amendments to the Specification constitute deletions of original section headings and/or paragraphs, and insertions or additions of new section headings and/or paragraphs. New paragraphs and Section Headings have been added in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(i) & (iii), and paragraph deletions indicated in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(i) & (iv). Entry of the amendments to the Specification made herein are therefore proper and respectfully requested.

Original claims 1-10 have been canceled and replaced with new claims 11-28 solely for the purpose of improving clarity and grammar, which may suffer in translation, and not for any reason which relates to the statutory requirements for a patent. New claims 11-28 have not been added in response to any rejection, nor in anticipation of any rejection. Applicants respectfully submit that the scope of new claims 11-28 generally corresponds to the scope of original claims 1-10, and that new claims 11-28 are no narrower than original claims 1-10. Furthermore, although a moot point in view of their cancellation, Applicants respectfully submit that original claims 1-10 satisfied the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, as filed. New claims 11-28 are supported by the claims as originally filed and in the Specification, for example, at page 3, line 20, through page 5, line 15; and in the Examples. No new matter has been introduced. A complete listing of all claims ever presented is included herein in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c). Entry is therefore proper and respectfully requested.

Prompt examination of the instant application in view of the amendments made herein is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Lubrication of wool fibers for combed wool sliver production, via contacting of the wool fibers with a lubrication composition including a mixture of C₆₋₂₂ fatty acid methyl esters based on fatty acids selected from the group consisting of coconut fatty acids, palm kernel fatty acids, palm oil fatty acids, and mixtures thereof, is disclosed.